The DCMA Forum

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- Goals for the Forum
- Why?
- What?
- How?
- Who and What Sort of Information?
- Inner Workings, More Workings, Gory Details…
- Main GIDEP Database
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Forum Goals

- **Share information about nonconforming material through-out the entire Agency**
- **Develop material for submission to main GIDEP Failure Exchange Database (FED) – this information to be shared with customers, contractors and other Government activities.**

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Why?

- **2003-2004 Concerns with quality escapes and nonconforming material going into the supply system**
- **Product Assurance IPT determined that there was lack of communication about nonconforming material in DCMA**
- **Major concern – no or very limited communications between job series with current Knowledge Management tool**

What?

- **PA-IPT wanted to use GIDEP as a method of communication. (GIDEP = Government-Industry Data Exchange Program)**
- **GIDEP was developing commercial software for the Space Consortium Forum**
  - **GIDEP offered to sponsor a Forum on nonconforming material for DCMA - gratis**
    - **Thus the "DCMA Forum"**
  - **System will reside on separate server at GIDEP**
    - **Not related to GIDEP or the GIDEP Databases**

How?

- **DCMA worked with GIDEP to tailor the commercial software**
  - **Added/modified dropdowns for processes, products and information sources**
  - **Those dropdowns resulted in the ability to sort problem processes, products and the source of the information**
  - **The DCMA Beta testers (Districts & CMOs) worked with HQ determining the nonconforming processes/products drop-downs**
  - **Guidance and Instruction published**

Who & What Sort of Information?

- **Plan to enroll all Quality, Engineers, Industrial Specialists, Packaging, some Lawyers, some Program Integration, some ACOs, and all their supervisors ~ 4,200 PA employees in Forum**
  - **Still working on signing everyone up.**
- **Most people will be in the General Forum, but there will be separate sections for NSEP*, CIC* & Foreign National employees**
- **Concentrate on Systemic Issues (problems that may affect other activities or contractors).**
- **Sources of info: Bellringers, Systemic Level II CARs*, all Level III & IV CARs, Systemic DRs*, NSEP Supplier Audit Program (SAP) Reports, Contractor Self-Disclosures, DCMA Audits, etc.**

* ***CIC = Contract Integrity Center; DR = Deficiency Report***

* ***NSEP = Navy Special Emphasis Programs***

* ***CAR = Corrective Action Request***

Inner Workings

- **Current docs available at the DCMA Forum Homepage**
  - **Click on the columns to sort by Nonconforming Products/Processes or by Information Source**
  - **Click on the Document Number to view contents**
  - **To input a document, click on “Create Topic”, hover cursor for hints**
  - **Upload attachments – such as Word documents, forms, parts lists, digital photographs of nonconformances, etc…**
  - **The search function is limited to the information that was keyboarded in (cannot search on attachments yet). Next milestone will add a Google search tool**

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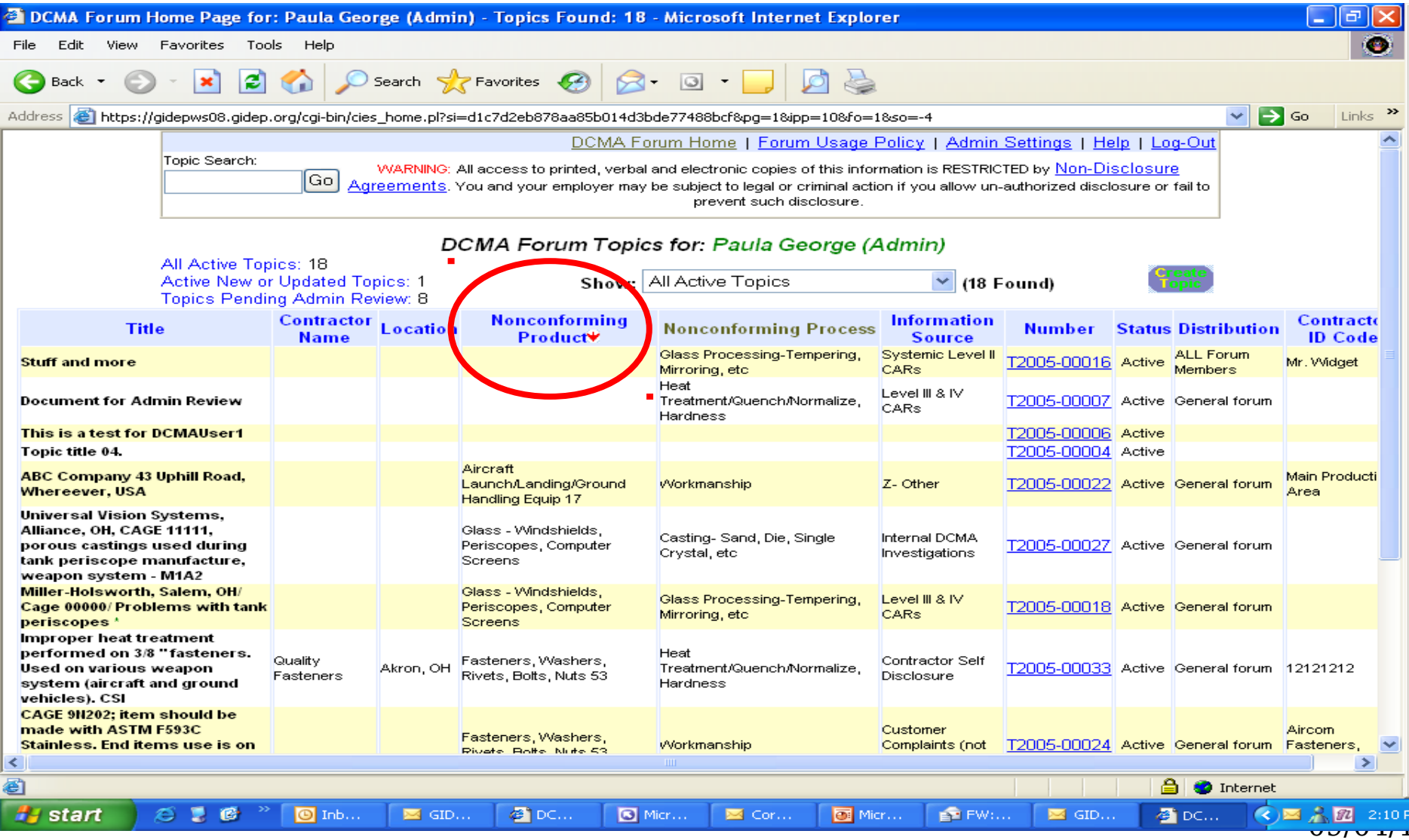

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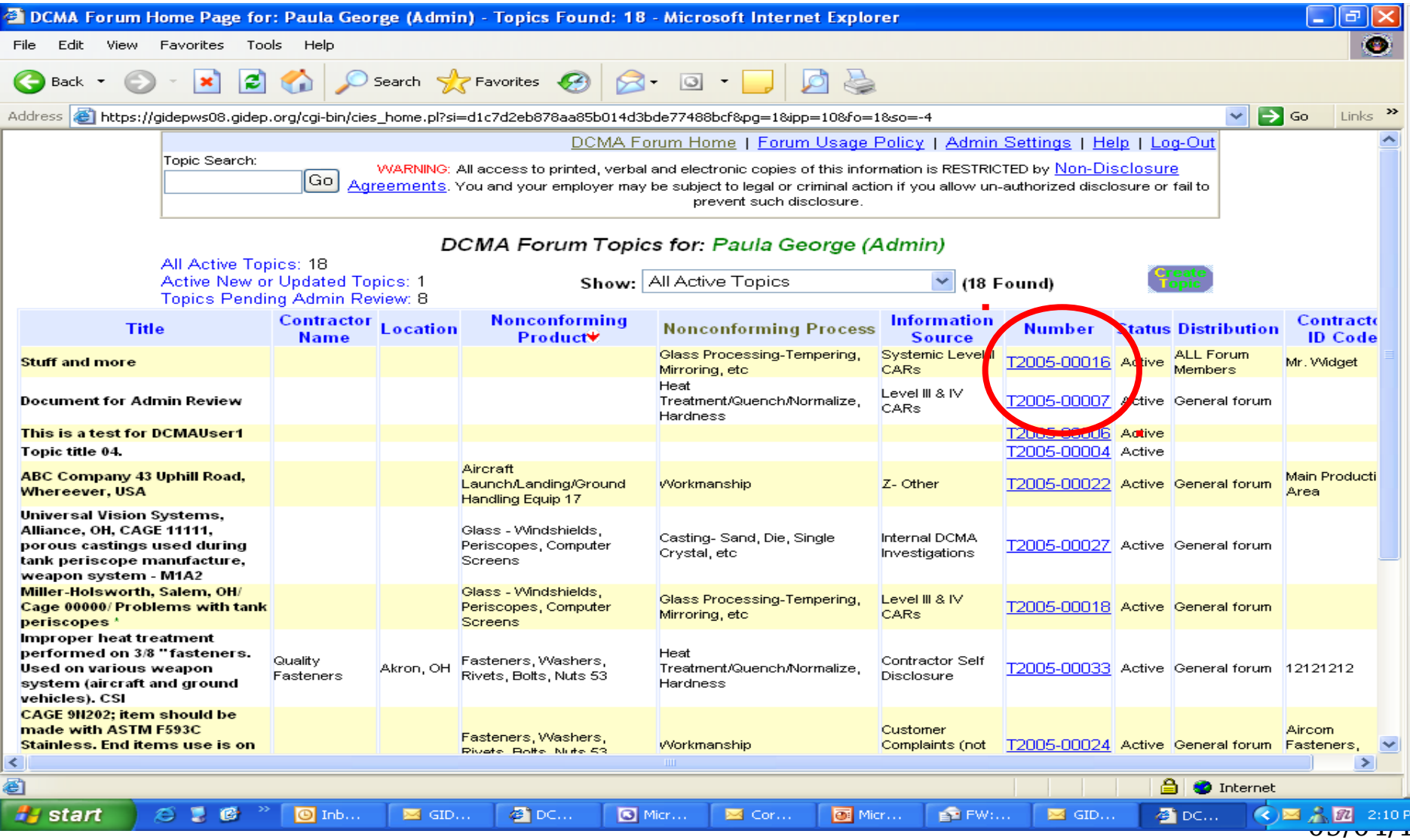
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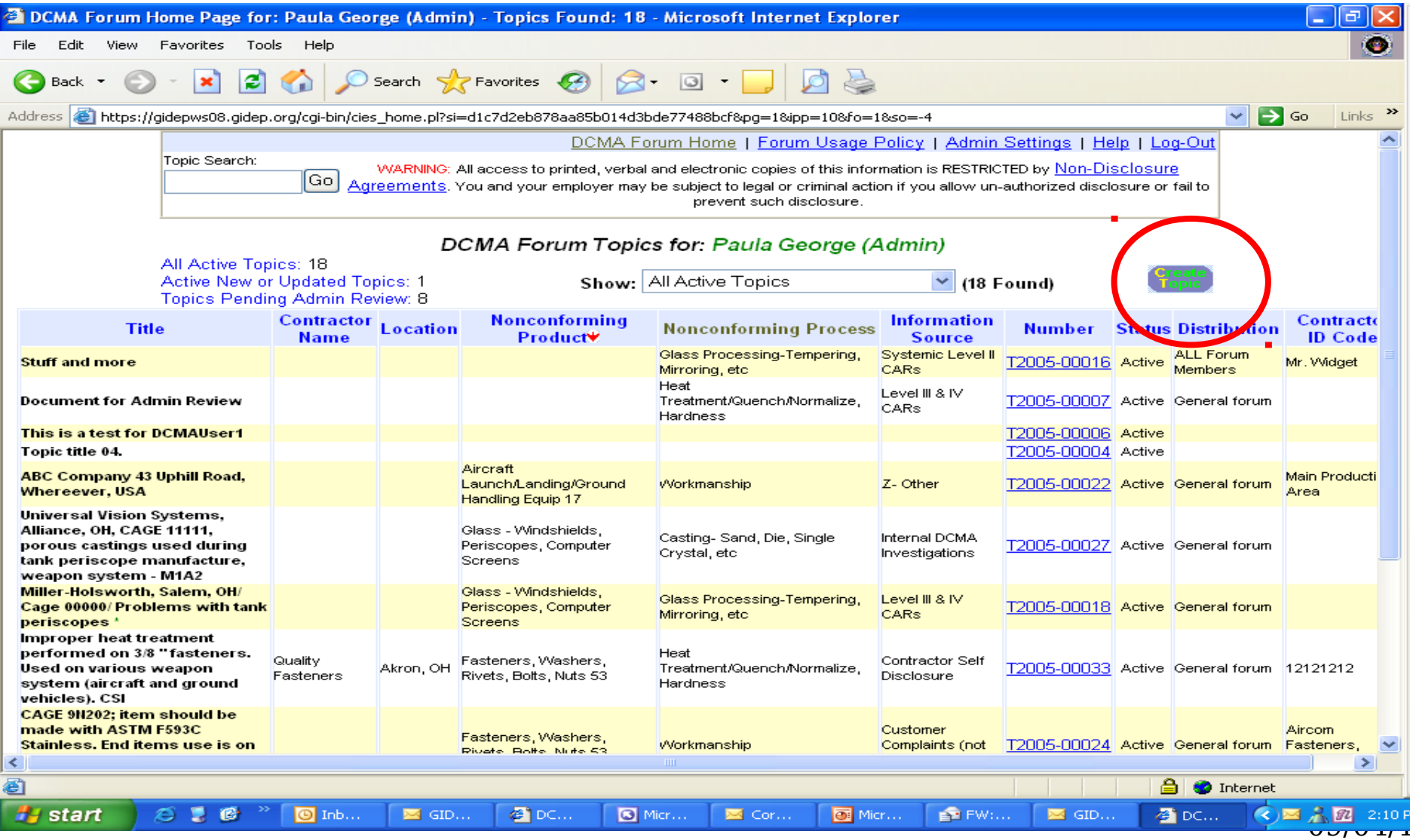
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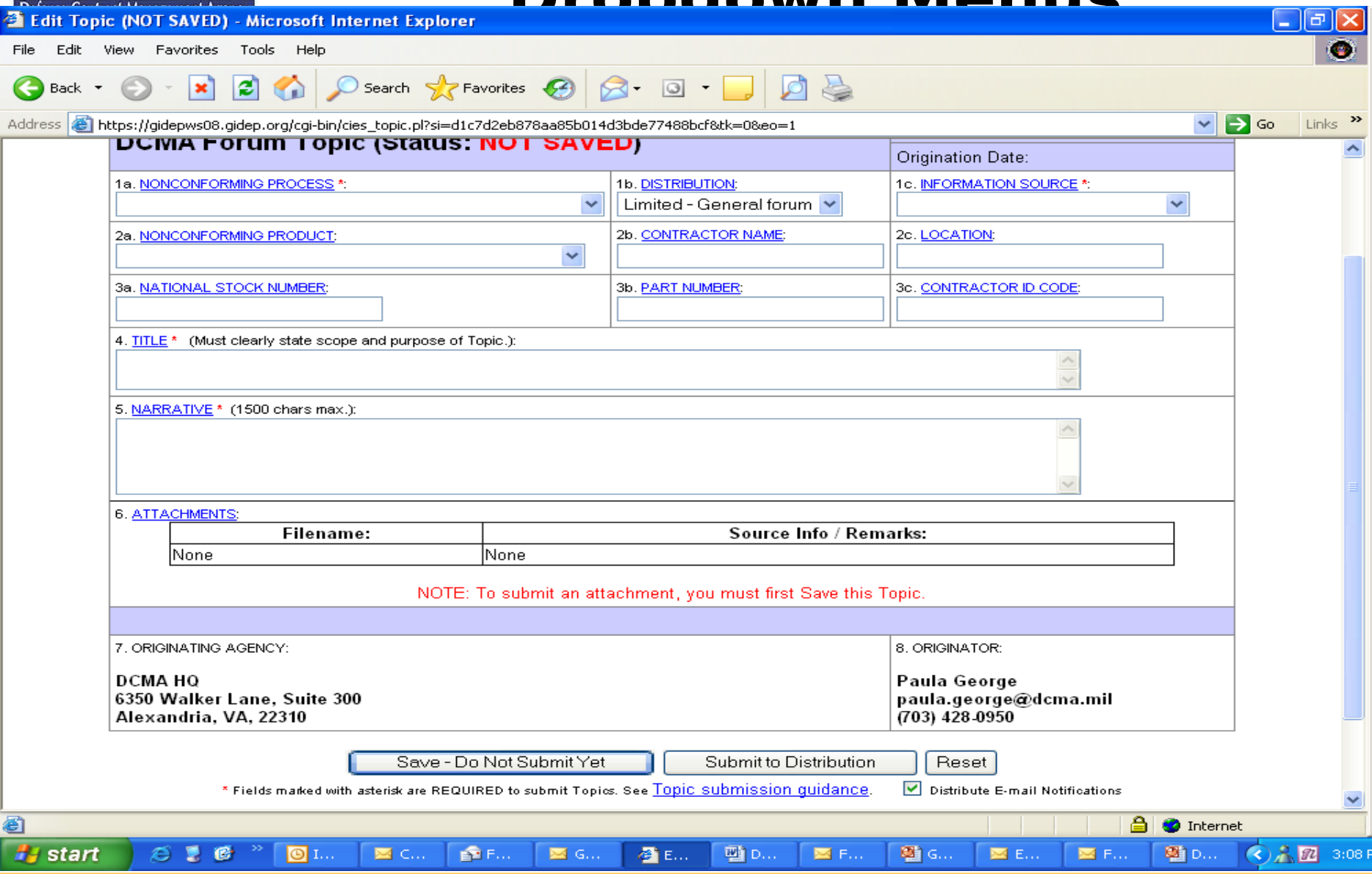

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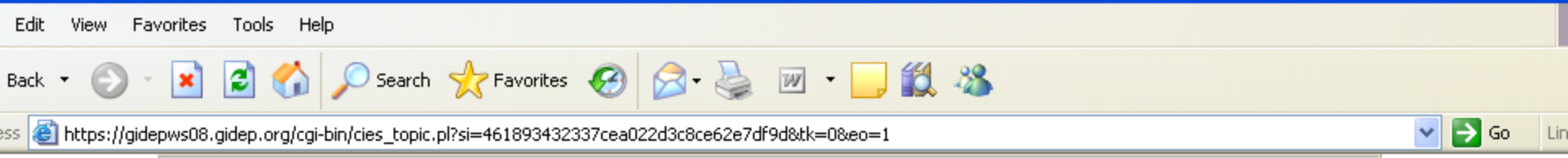

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- Bellringers
- Contractor Self Disclosure
- Customer Complaints (not DRs)
- Deficiency Reports (Systemic)
- Internal DCMA Investigations
- Level III & IV CARs
- Supplier Audit Program (NSEP)
- Systemic Level II CARs
- Z- Other

2a. NONCONFORMING PRODUCT:

2b. CONTRACTOR NAME:

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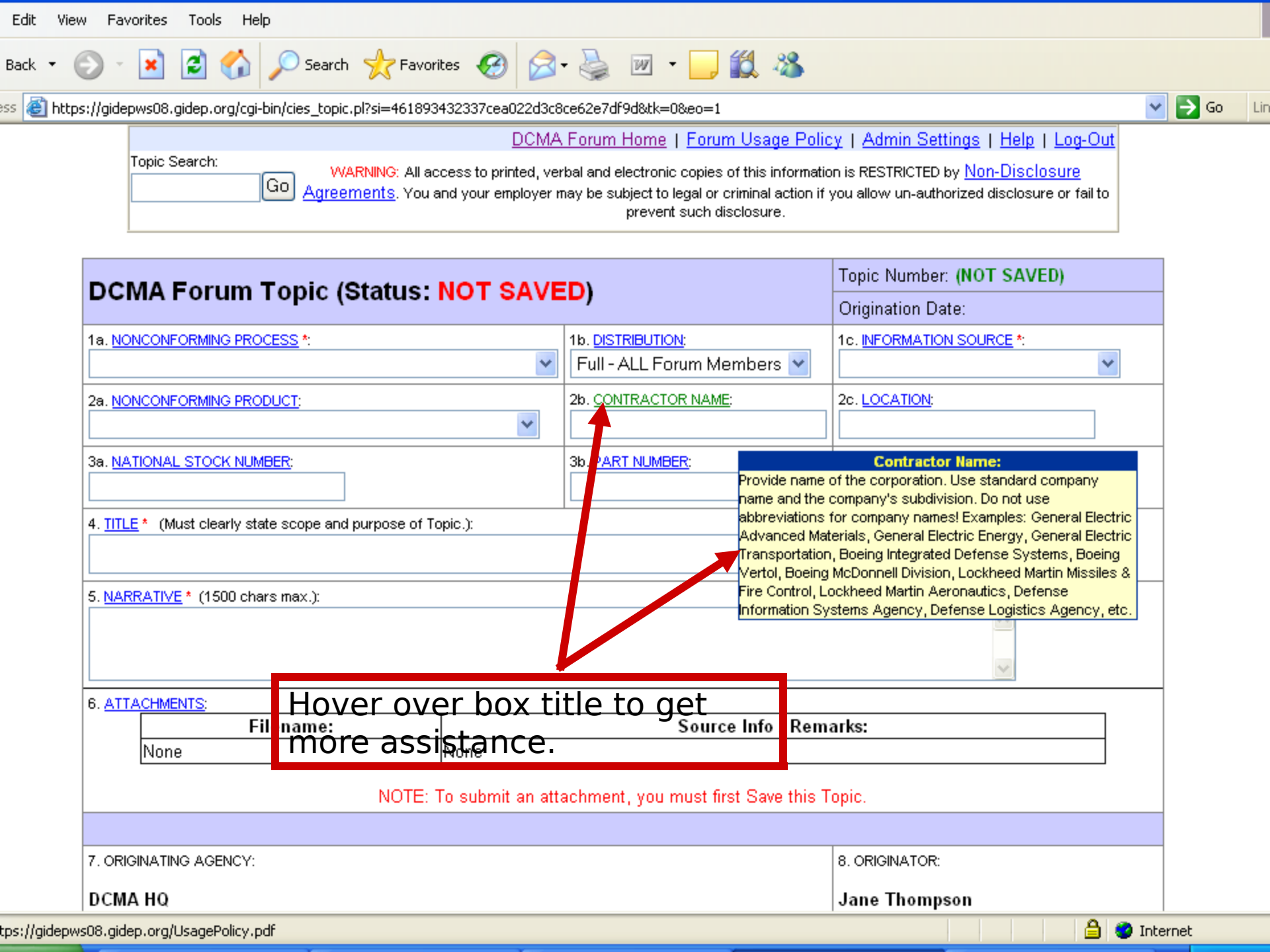
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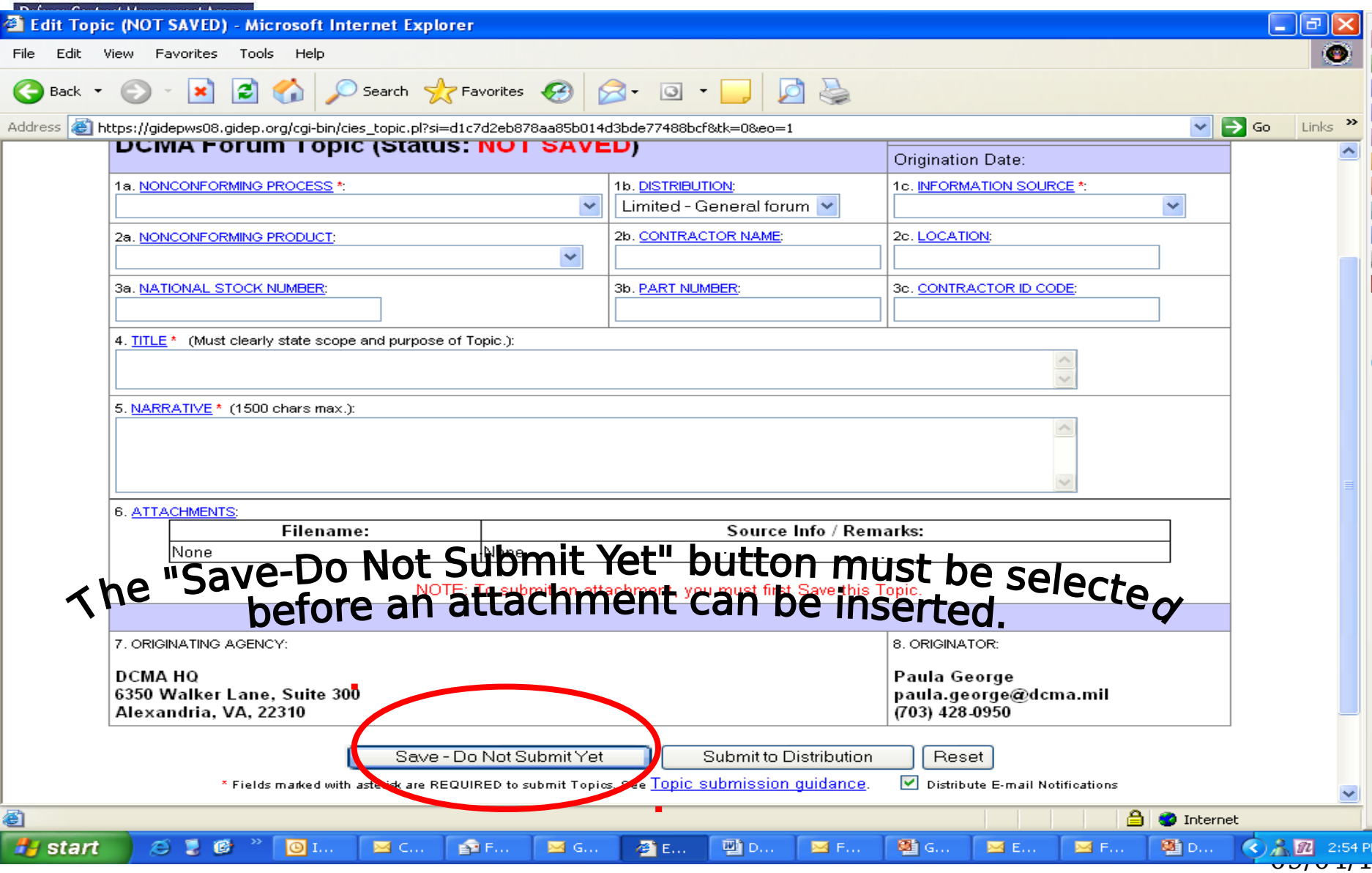

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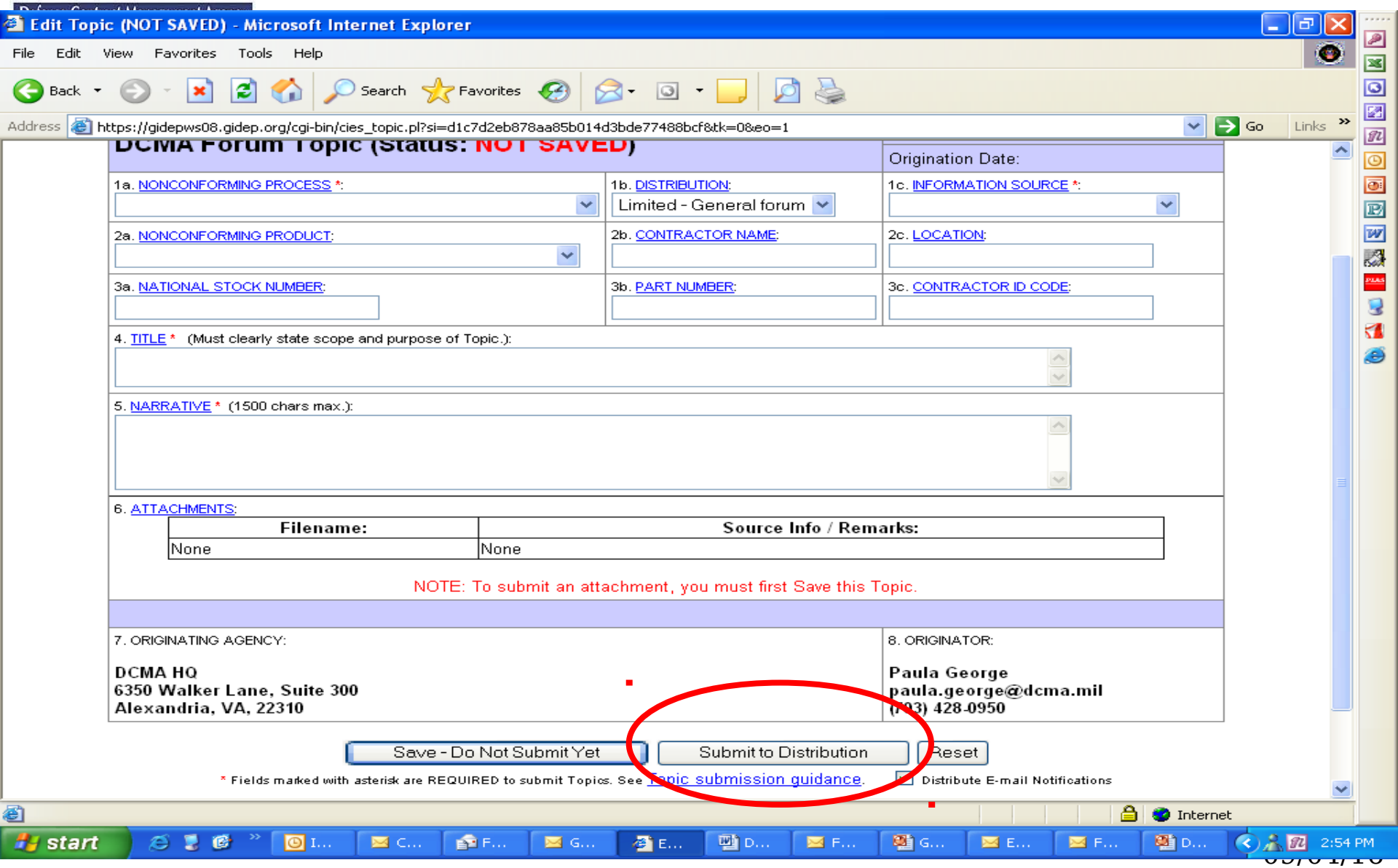


More Workings

- **After a document is completed/submitted to the Forum, most will go for Admin Review (“sanity check” by senior DCMA Engineers & Quality) and then released. NSEP & CIC material will not be reviewed.**
- **Part of the “sanity” check will include preparing a “sanitized” document for release to the DCMA Foreign National (FN) employees– all references to technology (how material is manufactured) will be removed. This will be transparent to the users.**
  - **FNs not allowed access to ITAR & EAR restricted information**
  - **List ITAR & EAR restricted information if submitted to Forum**
  - **No classified or company propriety information into the Forum**

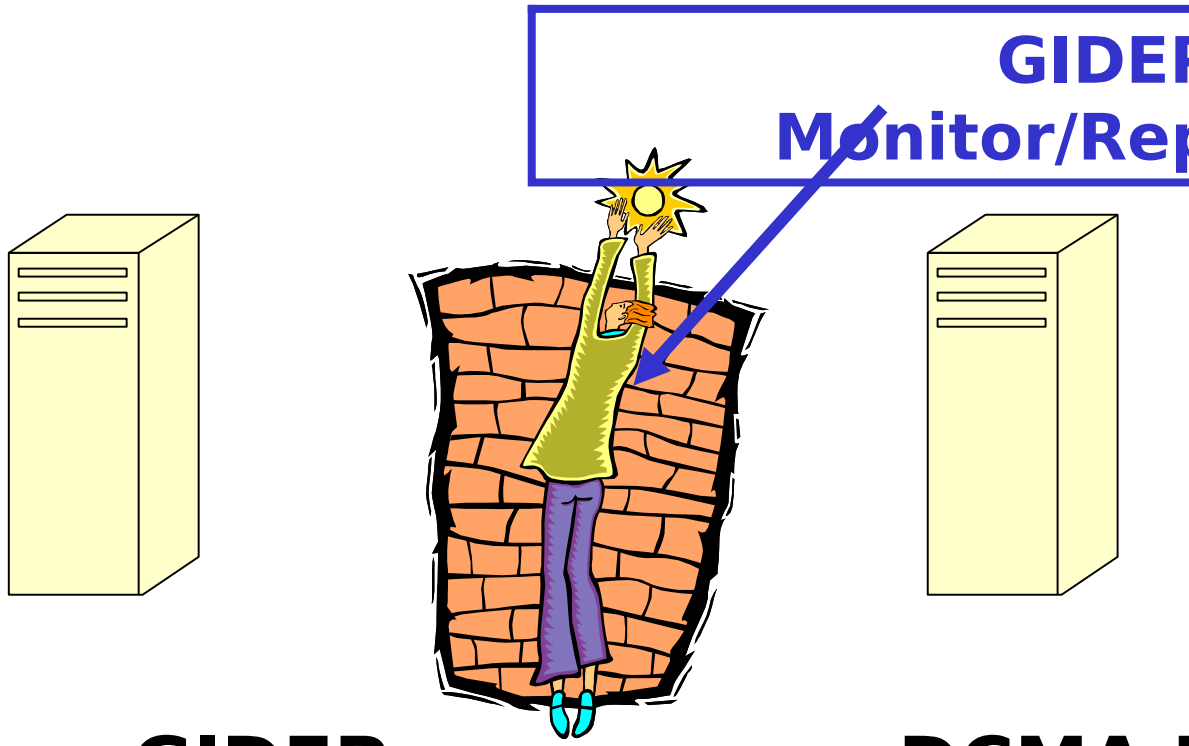
Gory Details…

- **When a document is released, an automatic e-mail notice is generated & sent to the Distribution List including the following information:**
  - ✓ **Title**
  - ✓ **Contractor's Name & Location**
  - ✓ **Nonconforming Process**
  - ✓ **Nonconforming Product**
  - ✓ **Source of the Information**
  - ✓ **Link to document**
- **This allows recipients to self-sort and decide if they need to review the entire document**

Documents & Reviews

- **After a document is released, you have a option to input to the document and make comments:**
  - ✓ **Not necessary to make a comment such as “No Comments”, “Reviewed Document” or “Does not pertain to my contractor/system/etc”…**
  - ✓ **Bogs down the system when that happens**
- **Only make comments if the document pertains to your contractor or system, or if you have a pertinent question**

Separate Databases



GIDEP Database

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Remember that these are totally separate databases

Main GIDEP Database

- **It is a Government-funded joint service program which provides a consolidated database of information from various Government Agencies and Industry sources. Participation is free.**
  - ✓ **There are 5 sections of the database: Failure Exchange (FED), Product Information such as (DMSMS) Diminishing Manufacturing Sources & Material Shortages, Reliability & Maintainability, Calibration & Metrology, and Engineering**
  - ✓ **Failure Data Exchange (ALERTS, SAFE-ALERTS, AGENCY ACTION NOTICES, PROBLEM ADVISORIES, etc).**
  - ✓ **GIDEP provides many services: Urgent Data Requests, Push-Mail, Batch-Match, training (locally and at workshops/conferences)**
- **More info on DCMA HOME PAGE – Site index, G section, and in the Instruction/Guidance**

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Wrap-Up

- **Remember:**
  - **The Forum is NOT GIDEP**
  - **The Forum is DCMA-Only**
  - **Information in the Forum is what YOU input**
  - **The system will only be as good as YOU make it**
  - **Tasking Memorandums No. 05-216 & 05-228**

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QUESTIONS????